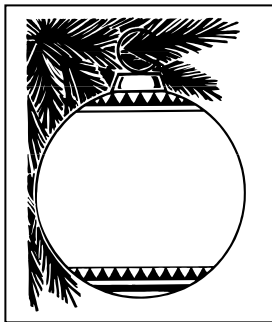


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Welcome Princess Elisabeth!



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Dear Members,

The horrible events of September and everything that followed brought several letters of concern from our members in Belgium. I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their condolences and their notes of support. I am sure we have all experienced the power of prayer in our lives and there is no better time to use it so that peace may be restored soon and in a lasting way.

Every cloud as a silver lining and we welcome the beautiful ray of sunlight provided by the Belgian royal family. A little Princess was born in Belgium, who may become the first Queen of the Belgians to reign. Her name is Elisabeth in honor of Queen Elisabeth, wife of King Albert I. May she have a long happy life where peace and goodwill abound! You will find more information about the royal birth in this issue of "Belgian Laces".

Shifting gears a bit, let me say "Thank You!" to those who were so prompt at renewing their dues. I had only thought about gift memberships but your prompt renewals as well as your words of support always help! 2002 articles will continue to strive for diversity so as to provide information for as many of our members as possible. If there is a specific topic you would like to read about, please contact me either by email or regular mail.

Some of our members have taken advantage of the Yahoogroups page. I just wish it was less complicated to access. For those who do not have internet at home, most local libraries offer this service free of charge to their patrons. Many Family History Centers across the continent are also gearing up for this service. There will be a small user fee at FHCs to recover the cost of the internet provider. Email addresses are easy to obtain at no cost, on the web at Yahoo, Msn, Excite, Hotmail and a slew of others. Ask your librarians how you can do this and email me to add you to

TheBelgianResearchers@yahoogroups.com

For those who have had trouble accessing the site, follow these step-by-step directions:

First register with Yahoo, and create an ID and password.

Then link your egroup account to this ID.

Since no passwords were ever chosen, choose the second option, which is by giving your email address and having them send you a code. This will be sent to your email box. When you get the code, recopy it into the spot provided on the yahoogroups page, and sign in with your ID and password. This should give you access to some old issues of Belgian Laces as well as other interesting links and databases.

I think it may be time to put our name on the web officially and I hope to have a webpage created soon. So, as you see... no slowing down from here...

Your input is important. Keep sending articles for Belgian Laces, as well as suggestions for new research projects.

Looking forward to a wonderful 2002, our family wishes you a most Joyous Christmas and Happy New Year!

With much love,

Régine

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

945. Phyllis Bonnell, Boise, ID

946. Emanuel Bonnell, Nampa, ID

947. Carole Draysey, Big Rapids, MI

948. Jayne Englebert, Baraboo, WI

949. Joan Flavel, Gold Beach, OR

950. Monica Desalvio, Warren, MI



Welcome Princess Elisabeth!

Date of birth: 25 October 2001

Time of birth: 9:58pm

Weight: 2 kg 950

Height: 49 cm

Hair color: blonde

Godfather: Amedeo, Princess Astrid's son

Godmother: Hélène, Princess Mathilde's sister

Prince Philippe and Princess Mathilde were deeply touched by the many signs of friendship shown for the birth of their daughter Princesse Elisabeth.

A register was made available to the public at the Palace in Brussels. You can also send your congratulations by electronic mail at

info@monarchie.fgov.be

Translated from "Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation"



Here's what CNN had to say...

Congratulations to the Belgian Royal Family and to all Belgians...



"BRUSSELS, Belgium --

The wife of Belgium's crown prince has given birth to a daughter who could become the first queen to ascend to the throne in the country's modern history.

The baby girl, born at Erasmus Hospital in Brussels shortly before 10 p.m. (2000 GMT) on Thursday, has been named Princess Elizabeth Therese Marie Helen, the royal palace said. She is the first child of Crown Prince Philippe and Princess Mathilde and her birth was marked by a 101-gun salute from army artillery outside the palace in Brussels.

The princess is second in line behind her father to succeed King Albert II, after a recent law granted equal inheritance rights to male and female royals.

Prince Philippe said: "I'm very proud of our little daughter. She really is adorable, a real little lady. I hope my daughter will be a great queen, but first of all, a great woman."

Mathilde, 28, married the crown prince in December 1999 at a glittering ceremony that drew huge crowds. The couple announced in May that Mathilde was pregnant.

Under Belgium's constitutional system, the monarch's role is largely ceremonial, but the royal family has been a potent symbol of unity in a country split between Dutch and French speakers.

Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt and his government said they had learned "with immense joy" of the birth of the princess. A statement said: "The national community has always intensely shared the life of the dynasty, their joys and their sorrows."

Current Line of Succession to the Belgian Throne

1. **HRH Philippe** Duke of Brabant, Prince of Belgium (* April 15th, 1960)
2. **HRH Elisabeth** Princess of Belgium (* October 25th, 2001)
3. **HI & RH Astrid** Princess Imperial and Archduchess of Austria-Este, Princess Royal of Hungary and Bohemia née Princess of Belgium (* June 5th, 1962)
4. **HI & RH Amedeo** Prince Imperial and Archduke of Austria-Este, Prince Royal of Hungary and Bohemia, Prince of Belgium (* February 21st, 1986)
5. **HI & RH Maria-Laura** Princess Imperial and Archduchess of Austria-Este, Princess Royal of Hungary and Bohemia, Princess of Belgium (* August 26th, 1988)
6. **HI & RH Joachim** Prince Imperial and Archduke of Austria-Este, Prince Royal of Hungary and Bohemia, Prince of Belgium (* December 9th, 1991)
7. **HI & RH Luisa-Maria** Princess Imperial and Archduchess of Austria-Este, Princess Royal of Hungary and Bohemia, Princess of Belgium (* October 11th, 1995)
8. **HRH Laurent** Prince of Belgium (b. October 19th, 1963)

HM Leopold I Georg Christian Friedrich King of the Belgians, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony
b. Buchnerhaus near Ehrenburg Castle, Coburg, December 16th, 1790

d. Laeken Castle, December 10th, 1865

King of the Belgians (elected: June 4th, 1831; provisionally accepted the throne: June 26th, 1831; formally accepted the throne: July 12th, 1831; inaugurated: Royal Square, Brussels, July 21st, 1831)

Married:

I. **HRH Charlotte Augusta** Princess of Great Britain and Ireland, Princess of Hanover, Duchess of Brunswick and Lüneburg;; b. Carlton House, Mayfair, London, Jan. 7th, 1796 - d (in childbirth) Claremont House, Esher, Surrey, Nov. 6th, 1817 ; married at Carlton House, Mayfair, London, May 2nd, 1816

II. HRH Louise Marie Thérèse Caroline Isabelle Princess d'Orléans, in the (civil) Cabinet of the King, Royal Palace, Compiègne, August 8th and (religious) Palace Chapel, Royal Palace, Compiègne, August 9th, 1832:

Children from the second marriage:

- **HRH Louis-Philippe Léopold Victor Ernest** Prince of Belgium, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony ("Babychou"/"Babochon") - Heir to the Throne, July 24th, 1833; b. Laeken Castle, Jul. 24th, 1833 - d. Laeken Castle, May 16th, 1834
- **HM Leopold II Louis-Philippe Marie Victor**, King of the Belgians, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony.
- **HRH Philippe Eugène Ferdinand Marie Clément Baudouin Léopold** *Georges Count of Flanders, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony.
- **HRH Marie Charlotte Amélie Auguste Victoire Clémentine Léopoldine** Princess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duchess of Saxony – (In Mexico styled as: HIM Empress Carlota); b. Laeken Castle, Jun. 7th, 1840 - d. Bouchout Castle, Meise near Brussels, Jan. 19th, 1927.

* **HRH Philippe Eugène Ferdinand** Marie Clément Baudouin Léopold Georges Count of Flanders, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony, who married St. Hedwig Cathedral, Berlin, April 25th, 1867:

HSB Marie-Louise Alexandrine Caroline Princess von Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, b. Neuen Prinzenbau, Parc of Sigmaringen Castle, Sigmaringen, November 17th, 1845 – d. Regency Palace, Regentschapstraat, Brussels, November 26th, 1912

Children from this marriage:

1. **HRH Baudouin Léopold Philippe Marie Charles Antoine Joseph Louis** Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony ; b. Regency Palace, Brussels, Jun. 3rd, 1869 – d. Regentschapstraat, Brussels, Jan. 23rd, 1891
2. **HRH Henriette Marie Charlotte Antoinette** Princess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duchess of Saxony
3. **HRH Joséphine Marie Stéphanie Victoire** Princess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duchess of Saxony; b. Regentschapstraat, Brussels, Nov. 30th, 1870 – d. Regentschapstraat, Brussels, Jan. 18th, 1871
4. **HRH Joséphine Carola Marie Albertine** Princess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duchess of Saxony
5. **HM Albert I** Léopold Clément Marie Meinrad King of the Belgians, Prince of Belgium, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Saxony, b. Regentschapstraat, Brussels, Apr. 8th, 1875 – d.(climbing accident) Marche-les-Dames, Feb. 17th, 1934 - Heir Presumptive to the Throne, Nov. 17th, 1905 - King of the Belgians, December 23rd, 1909
Married **HRH Elisabeth** Valerie Gabrielle Maria Duchess in Bavaria, b. Possenhofen Castle near Starnberg, Jul. 25th, 1876 - d. Stuyvenberg Castle, Laeken, November 23rd, 1965 in the Throne-room, Royal Palace and (religious) All Saints Court Church, Munich, October 2nd, 1900.

Children from this marriage:

1. **HM Leopold III**** Philippe Charles Albert Meinrad Hubertus Marie Miguel King of the Belgians, Prince of Belgium

2. HRH Charles Théodore Henri Antoine Meinrad Count of Flanders, Prince of Belgium; Prince-Regent of Belgium, September 20th, 1944 - July 20th, 1950
3. HRH Marie-José Charlotte Sophie Amélie Henriette Gabrielle Princess of Belgium.

****HM Leopold III, b.** Hôtel d'Assche, Brussels, Nov. 3rd, 1901 – d. Woluwe Saint-Lambert, Sept. 25th, 1983
King of the Belgians, February 23rd, 1934 (abdicated: Throne Room, Royal Palace, Brussels, July 16th, 1951)

Married:

I. **HRH Astrid** Sofia Lovisa Thyra Princess of Sweden, b. Stockholm, Nov. 17th, 1905 – d. (car crash) Küßnacht, Aug. 29th, 1935 (civil) Rikssalet, Royal Palace, Stockholm, November 4th and (religious) St. Michiel and St. Goedele Church, Brussels, November 10th, 1926:

II., Mary Lilian Lucy Josepha Monique Bael, at the Laeken Castle, September 11th and (civil) Laeken Castle, December 6th, 1941

Children from the first marriage:

1. HRH Joséphine-Charlotte Ingeborg Elisabeth Marie-José Marguerite Astrid Princess of Belgium
2. HM Baudouin I Albert Charles Léopold Axel Marie Gustave King of the Belgians, Prince of Belgium; b. Stuyvenberg Castle, Laeken, September 7th, 1930 – d. Villa Astrida, Motril, July 31st, 1993.
3. **HM Albert II** Félix Humbert Théodore Christian Eugène Marie King of the Belgians, Prince of Belgium; b. Stuyvenberg Castle, Laeken, June 6th, 1934 - Created Prince of Liège by Royal Decree of June 7th, 1934; Heir Presumptive to the Throne, July 17th, 1951 - King of the Belgians, August 9th, 1993

Who married in Brussels, July 2nd, 1959:

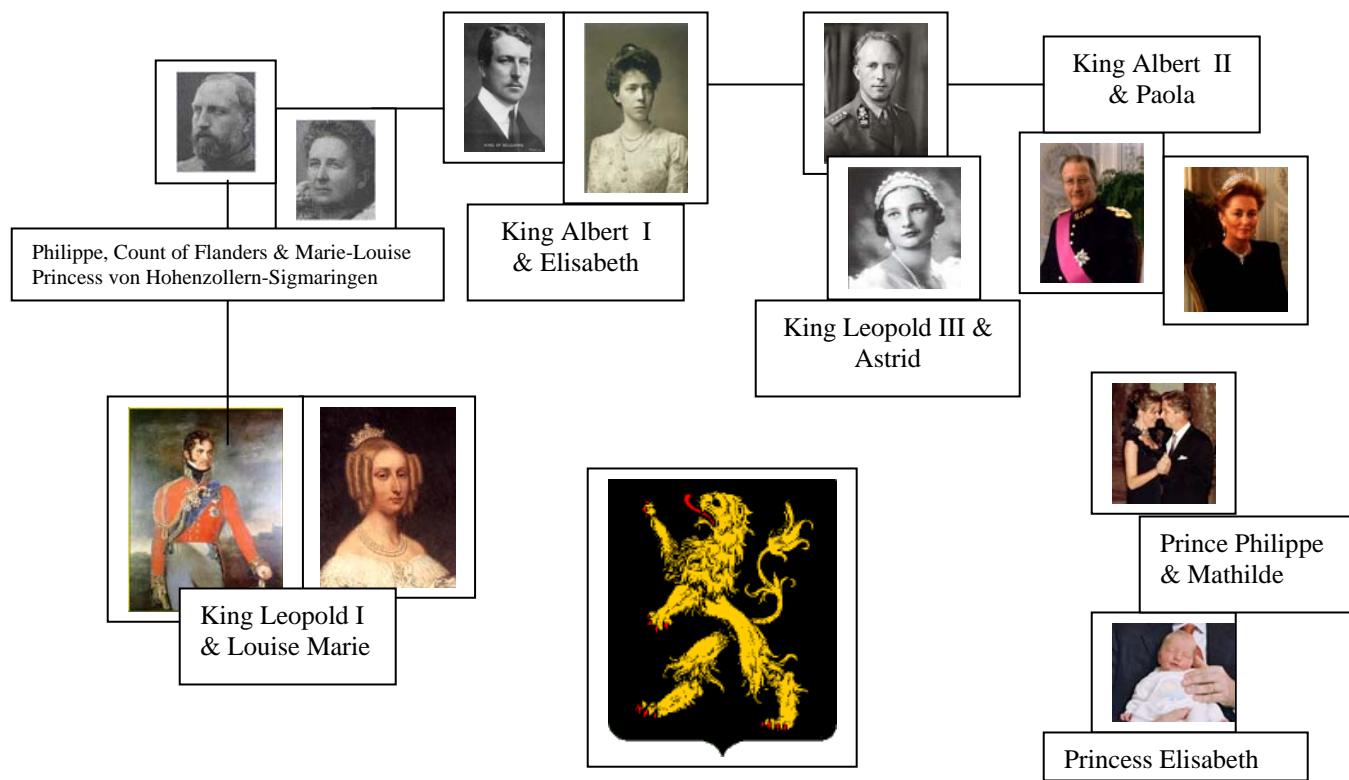
Donna **Paola** Margherita Giuseppina Maria-Antonia Consiglia dei Principi Ruffo di Calabria, b. Castle, Forte dei Marmi, September 11th, 1937

Children from this marriage:

1. **HRH Philippe** Léopold Louis Marie Duke of Brabant, Prince of Belgium, b. * Belvédère Castle, Laeken, April 15th, 1960 who married **Mathilde** Marie Christine Ghislaine d'Udekem d'Acoz, b. Uccle, January 20th, 1973, on Dec. 4th, 1999 in Brussels.

Child and Heir to the throne: HRH **Elisabeth** Thérèse Marie Hélène Princess of Belgium
b. Erasmus Hospital, Anderlecht, Brussels, October 25th, 2001

2. HRH Astrid Joséphine-Charlotte Fabrizia Elisabeth Paola Marie Princess of Belgium
3. HRH Laurent Benoît Baudouin Marie Prince of Belgium



Belgian Emigrants from the Borinage region of Belgium

Combined work of Jean DUCAT, Deb JONES, Phyllis SNYDER and Régine BRINDLE

H	RENAUD , Florent	b. Jemappes	emigrated to Hastings, PA 1901
W	FINET, Julia		emigrated to Hastings, PA 1901
c1	RENAUD, Juliette		emigrated to Hastings, PA 1901
c2	RENAUD, Valentine		emigrated to Hastings, PA 1901
S	RENVILLARD , Arthur	b. ca 1866, Cuesmes?	Emigrated to McCartney, PA, 1904
S	ROLAND, Juvenal	b. ca 1877, Jemappes	emigrated to Bridgeton, NJ, 1894
H	SACKX , Achille	b.16 Oct 1876, Ghent	
W	DELANNOIS, Augustine ¹		
H	SAILLIEZ , Jules	b. 30 Dec 1866, Cuesmes	
	Son of SAILLIEZ, Joseph/FINET, Louise	married 19 Sep 1891, Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
W	BLONDIAU, Denise	b. 28 Jan 1871, Cuesmes	
	Daughter of BLONDIAU, Victor Joseph/FINET, Josephine Elise		emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
c1	SAILLIEZ, Julie	b. Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
c2	SAILLIEZ, Irma	b. 29 Sep 1897 Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
c3	SAILLIEZ, Ida	Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
c4	SAILLIEZ, Jules	Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1904
S	SIMON , Adhemar	b. ca 1868, Wasmes	emigrated to Brazil, IN, 1905
S	SIMON , Jules ?	b. Wasmes	emigrated to Brazil, IN, 1900
S	SIMON , Joseph	b. ca 1861, Boussu	emigrated to Pittsburgh, KS, 1905
H	STIEVENART , Emile	b. ca 1824, Paturages	emigrated abt 1888-1894 to Bridgeport, OH
	and his children		
H	SWERTS , Joseph		emigrated to Westville, IL
W	BACQ, Pauline	b. Cuesmes	
	Daughter of BACQ, Augustin/DONFUT, Victoire		
H	TELLIER , Clement Arthur ²	b. 26 Sep 1864, Cuesmes	
	Son of TELLIER, Adolphe/ANDRE, Josephine	married 22 Jun 1889, Cuesmes	emigrated to Westville, IL
W	BACQ, Antoinette Elise	b. 13 May 1866, Cuesmes	
	Daughter of BACQ, Augustin/DONFUT, Victoire		
c2	TELLIER, Alfred Arthur ³	b. 7 Sep 1887, Cuesmes	
c3	TELLIER, Hilaire	b. 24 Jan 1890, Cuesmes	
c4	TELLIER, Adolphe Joseph	b. 21 Nov 1897, Cuesmes	
H	TELLIER , Clement	b. 6 Mar 1851, Cuesmes - d. 23 Feb 1921	
	Son of TELLIER, Constant/VIENNE, Augustine	married 12 May 1875, Cuesmes	
W	DELSAUT, Elise	b. 30 May 1851, Cuesmes - d. 1932, Danville, IL	
	Daughter of DELSAUT, Benoit Joseph*/LEVEQUE, Marie Catherine		
c1	TELLIER, Laure Eva	b. 25 Mar 1877, Cuesmes	
c2	TELLIER, Clement Alfred	b. 13 Sep 1883, Cuesmes	
S	TELLIER , Clement		emigrated to Vermilion Co., IL, 1890
S	TELLIER , Felix		emigrated to Vermilion Co., IL, 1890
S	TELLIER , Flora		
S	TELLIER , Joseph		
S	TELLIER , Lizzie	b. Oct 1855	
S	TELLIER , Marie		

¹ widow of -- PLUMART² Clement Arthur TELLIER, Jr died 25 May 1947, Danville, IL³ witnessing the birth of Alfred Arthur TELLIER was Arthur DUEZ

H	TELLIER , Obreville	b. 18 Dec 1870, Cuesmes	emigrated to Houtzdale, PA, 31 Aug 1908
	Son of TELLIER, Constant ⁴ /VIENNE, Augustine married 19 Oct 1895, Cuesmes		
W	ANDRE , Catherine Josephine	b. 22 Oct 1870, Cuesmes	
	Daughter of VIENNE, Jean Baptiste/ RIDEAU, Silvie Marguerite ⁵		
S	TELLIER , Zelig		
S	THOMAS , Alfred	b. Cuesmes	emigrated to Houtzdale, PA, 1905
H	THOMAS , Arthur, Sr.	b. ca 1861, Jemappes?	
c1	THOMAS , Arthur Jr.	b. Jemappes?	
H	THOMAS , Victor	b. Flenu	emigrated to McCartney, PA, 1903
W	RUFFIN , Andree		emigrated to McCartney, PA, 1903
H	TIMMERMAN , Armand	b. 16 Apr 1889	
	Son of TIMMERMANS, Leopold/MARTENS, Petronella		
W	HACQUET , Pauline		
	Daughter of HACQUET, Jules/BACQ, Adolphe		
S	VANDEVOIS ?/Emma		emigrated in 1864
S	WAROCQUIER , Alexandre		emigrated to McCartney, PA, 28 Feb 1903
H	WAROCQUIER , Alphonse ⁶	b. 11 Mar 1872, Ciply	
	Son of WAROCQUIER, Desire ⁷ /COLPIN, Virginie		
W	LAMBERT , Adele	b. 22 Jan 1873, Cuesmes	
	Daughter of LAMBERT, Jean Baptiste/RENAUD, Alexandrine		
H	WAROCQUIER , Louis	b. Ciply	
	Son of WAROCQUIER, Louis/COLPIN, Virginie		
W	DUEZ , Lucie Leocadie		emigrated to McCartney, PA
c1	WAROCQUIER , Emile	b. 25 Jun 1875, Cuesmes-d. 28 Sep 1875, Cuesmes	
H	WAROQUIER , Oscar	b. 26 Jan 1868, Cuesmes	
	Son of WAROCQUIER, Desire/COLPIN, Virginie md 24 Nov 1900, Cuesmes		
W	GERIN , Catherine, called Marie	b. 14 Apr 1876, Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL 1905
	Daughter of GERIN, Pierre Joseph/ BERNIER, Rosette ⁸		
S	WATTIEZ , Fernand Emm.	b. Cuesmes	emigrated to Danville, IL, 1908



⁴ Constant TELLIER died on 6 Apr 1877 in Cuesmes

⁵ Silvie Marguerite RIDEAU died in Cuesmes on 8 Jan 1882

⁶ Alphonse WAROCQUIER had another brother: Hubert WAROCQUIER, born in Cuesmes on 29 Jan 1853 - died 20 Dec 1875

⁷ Desire WAROCQUIER died on 9 Jan 1897

⁸ BERNIER, Rosette died in Cuesmes 26 Jan 1900

Vermilion County Coal

Excerpt from "Heritage of Vermilion County", Winter 1981-1982 - submitted by Deb JONES

It was never as valuable as gold but it would become King. It heated schools and churches, warmed the people in their homes and shoppers in the stores. It powered the locomotives that helped build the nation and the battleships to defend it. This wonderful fuel was coal, the dusty black mineral that rested in countless tons under the prairies and forests of Vermilion County. It was destined to create a major industry that would bring jobs for many and wealth to a few.

The Beginning

LaSalle found coal croppings along the Illinois River as early as 1669 but it was to be nearly two centuries before the reserves of Vermilion County would be exploited from their depths. Even when salt was considered the county's major resource in the 1820's it was wood, not coal, that was cut and used to fire the vats. Major John Vance did begin to use coal in the 1830's at the salt works and blacksmiths used coal for their forges but the sleeping giant was still awake, just prodded a bit by these early pickings at these shallow outcroppings.

Dudley Lacock was one of the first commercial miners in the area. He owned considerable land west of Danville but found little demand for his coal. He moved to Livingston County in 1854, more than a decade before the giant would begin to move.

The first mining corporation was organized in 1855 and was called the Danville Coal Mining Company. Its organizer was Ward Hill Lamon, law partner, and friend of Abraham Lincoln. The incorporation date for the mining company was February 14, 1855 but the company never actually mined coal.

There were other names in the early years, among them Caruthers, Ball, Chandler, Donlan, Kirkland and Cramer. These men were beginning the industry but a civil war would be fought before the Black Gold would be removed in quantity from its vault.

An Industry Is Born

The year 1865 saw the end of the War between the States or the Civil War, depending upon which name you prefer for the terrible conflict. The Vermilion County men came home, some to go on as they had before the war and others to work at a new industry just beginning - Mining.

Two names are commonly heard when we discuss early mining: Grape Creek and Hungry Hollow. It was in these two areas that mining was to begin and spread to other parts of the county.

In Hungry Hollow, Henry Cramer and William VanKirk opened strip bank mines in 1865. Their mines were close together and they would call out good naturedly to prospective buyers when they would approach the mines, each trying to entice the customer. Their coal was price at one dollar per load, and this meant all a man could pile on his wagon. They made no difference between big e small wagons. In 1868 they were joined in the Hollow b the legendary Mike Kelly who will be covered in a late article.

William Kirkland, Hugh Blakeney, a Mrs. Graves and Mr. Lafferty opened strip mines in the Grape Creek area in 1866. Kirkland brought in the first imported labor two carloads of miners. Later he would transport an entire shipload of Belgian miners to this country. The mines were about to make one of their most valuable contributions to the richness of the County. This was not to be in coal but in the people who would come to work in the mines.

The immigrants

Why did the people from western and later Eastern Europe come to Vermilion County to mine coal and how did they get here? -There are as many different stories as there are people but one thread remains constant; they were looking for something new, an opportunity. The Irish were still reeling from the great potato famine of the 1840s. The Germans were seeking the political and religious freedom that the new world offered, some came because they had relatives here. The eastern Europeans were leaving countries like Poland because of overpopulation. Jobs were scarce and the land that was passed down from the parents was not sufficient to sustain the division between children.

These people, who eventually made their way to the coal fields of Vermilion County, were not a weak breed. To reach the shores of America they had to withstand a rigorous journey across the Atlantic under trying circumstances. It took sailing vessels forty days or longer to make the Atlantic crossing. Though steamships came into use during the last half of the

nineteenth century and could make the crossing in as little as thirteen days, most of the immigrants made the crossing under canvas.

One extreme example of what people would endure for the opportunity that America offered was the case of the *Leibnitz*: The *Leibnitz* left Hamburg November 2, 1867. The ship lay at anchor at Cuxhaven because of headwinds until the 11th. Then she embarked upon the southern course for New York because winter was embracing the North Atlantic. She went by way of Madeira, down to the Tropics, 20th degree, and arrived in Lower Bay on January 11, 1868. Though passage took sixty-one days, the passengers had been on the ship seventy.

The heat during passage reached ninety-four degrees. The ship's passengers, 544 in all of whom 395 were adults, 103 children, and 46 infants, came principally from Mecklenburg and proposed to settle laborers and farmers in Illinois and Wisconsin: there were also about forty Prussians from Pomerania and Posen, and a few Saxons and Thuringians. Of these 544 passengers, 105 died on the voyage and three in port. Twenty percent of the people who had sailed at Hamburg died before setting foot on American soil.

The lower steerage of the ship, where 120 people were packed was described by Frederick Kassner, a boarding officer in New York, as being a perfect pest hole, designed to kill the healthiest man. It had been made a temporary room by laying planks on the lower beams of the vessel, and they were so supported that they shook when walking on them. The little light that this deck received came through one of the hatchways of the upper-deck. Although the latter was open when the boarding officer was on board, and the ship laying in open sea, free on all sides, it was impossible to see a thing at two or three feet.

On enquiring how the hole had been lighted during the voyage it was reported that some lanterns had been hung but because of the foulness of the air they would hardly burn. This area was located directly over the keel where the bilge water collected and adjoined a part of the cargo, which consisted of wool and hides.

One hundred and twenty people were crowded here for seventy days, for a greater part of the journey in tropical heat, with scanty rations and a very inadequate supply of water.

After the dangers and trials of the crossings, the hard work to come in America would be welcomed. The countries of Europe would be well represented in the mines of Vermilion County by the end of the nineteenth century. Over 50% of the miners would be Europeans, possibly more as many of the citizens of the United States had migrated earlier and were now new citizens of America.

The 1899 census of the mining employees of the county showed the following:

7.7% German	5.0% English	1.5% Welsh
6.4% Belgian	3.6% Italian	0.6% Danes & Swedes
6.4% Russian	3.6% Scotch	6.0% Unknown
5.1% Poles	2.6% Hungarian	41.9% American
5.5% Irish	1.7% Austrian	

In an interview given during Westville's Centennial Year, John J. Mayoras, then 94 years old, stated that he came to America because in his native Czechoslovakia "Only the aristocrats were landowners and a poor person could not better himself." Mr. Mayoras came to this country in 1904, leaving his wife behind with plans to send for her when he was settled. He worked the coal mines of Westville for a time but because work was slow he went to Pennsylvania and worked in the steel mills. In 1910 he returned to Europe and brought his wife back to America. He no longer planned to return to Europe and settled here permanently. He worked the next forty years in the coal mines of Westville.

Mr. Mayoras put four daughters as well as one son through college, three of these during the depression of the thirties when economic times were at their hardest. His spirit and perseverance symbolized the immigrants contribution to this country and our county. They came faced with staggering odds; a new language, a land they had never seen, the prejudices inherent whenever newcomers settled among the old, and perhaps the hardest of all being the memories of families and friends they had left behind.

But they did stay and made a distinct contribution far beyond the mining of coal from the thick veins of Vermilion County.



Généalogie Bruffaerts (including Philippe's descendants in America)

I Renatus Franciscus Alexander BRUFFAERTS, christened 2 Aug. 1788 at Neerijse, died 29 July 1845 same place, son of Joannes Baptistus Franciscus BRUFFAERTS and Maria Elisabeth DE COSTER.

Renatus was married on 29 Nov. 1821 at Vossem to Maria Elisabeth VANDEVELDE, christened on 25 Apr. 1799 at Duisburg, died on 11 June 1837 at Neerijse, daughter of Henricus VANDEVELDE and Anna Maria AERTS.

Issued from this marriage were:

1. Henri Joseph BRUFFAERTS, born 24 March 1822 at Neerijse, died 24 Oct. 1888 at Mont St..Jean.
2. Hermanus Franciscus BRUFFAERTS, born on 14 Feb. 1823 at Neerijse, died there 7 January 1859.
3. Johannes Philippus BRUFFAERTS, born 21 Feb. 1824 at Neerijse, (follows under II)
4. Ferdinandus Franciscus BRUFFAERTS, born 13 Apr. 1825 at Neerijse, died there 14 Feb. 1826.
5. Henricus BRUFFAERTS, born 6 June 1826 at Neerijse, died at Tervuren 6 Dec. 1909.
6. Hermanus Theodoricus BRUFFAERTS, born 22 March 1828 at Neerijse, died there 27 Dec. 1898.
7. Augustus Josephus Ghislenus BRUFFAERTS, born 18 Dec. 1829 at Neerijse, died in an accident on 23 January 1866 at Korbeek, Dijle.
8. Maria Theresia BRUFFAERTS, born on 30 September 1831 at Neerijse, died on 19 January 1907 at Huldenberg.
9. Anna Maria Catharina BRUFFAERTS, born on 21 August 1833 at Neerijse, died on 22 August 1884 at Erps.
10. Josephina BRUFFAERTS, born 21 February 1836 at Neerijse, died there on 23 February 1849.
11. Maria Elisabetha BRUFFAERTS, born on 30 April 1837 at Neerijse, died there on 19 June 1842.

II Johannes Philippus BRUFFAERTS, born 21 February 1824 at Neerijse, son of Renatus Franciscus Alexander BRUFFAERTS (I) and Maria Elisabeth VANDEVELDE.

On 23 August 1852, Johannes married at Huldenberg

(1) Josephina Elisabeth DECAFFMEYER, born on 28 December 1818 at Huldenberg, died before 1871, daughter of Jean Baptiste DECAFFMEYER and Maria Catharina HUYBERECHTS.

From this union were born:

1. Maria Theresia BRUFFAERTS, born 26 August 1853 at Huldenberg, died there 14 Dec. 1857.
2. Melanie BRUFFAERTS, born 2 January 1855 at Huldenberg, died there 24 February 1855.
3. Herman Theodore BRUFFAERTS, born 28 March 1856 at Huldenberg, died there on 3 March 1857.
4. Stillborn child, born 7 December 1857 at Huldenberg.
5. Franciscus Guilielmus BRUFFAERTS nicknamed Frank, born 11 December 1859 at Huldenberg, died there before 1921; never married.

Johannes also married on 5 December 1871

(2) Maria Eugenia VANDENHOUTEN also called Jennie, born 1 December 1851 at Tombeek/Overijse, died before 1918, daughter of Guillaume VANDENHOUTEN and Petronella VANDERVEKEN.

From this union were born:

6. Elizabeth BRUFFAERTS, born before 1874, died before 1956. In May 1895, Elizabeth married Antone PLEESTERS, born before 1867, died before 1958. (Follows under IIIa)
7. John BRUFFAERTS, born before 1878, died before 1955.
8. Joe BRUFFAERTS, born before 1882, died before 1914; never married.
9. Peter BRUFFAERTS, born before 1883, died before 1956 in South Dakota; never married.
10. Alphonse BRUFFAERTS, born before 1885, died before 1959.
11. Louis BRUFFAERTS, born before 1887, died before 1941. Louis married Nn. (follows under IIIb)
12. Mathilda BRUFFAERTS, born before 1889, died before 1958. Mathilda married Frank VANDERWEGEN. (follows under IIIc)

IIIa Elizabeth BRUFFAERTS, born before 1874, died before 1956, daughter of Johannes Philippus BRUFFAERTS (II) and Maria Eugenia VANDENHOUTEN.

In May 1895, she married Antone PLEESTERS, born before 1867, died before 1958.

From this union were born:

1. Alvin PLEESTERS, b. bef 1927, d. bef 1985. He married Mathilda HEIM.
2. Alvina PLEESTERS, d. bef 1987. She married Joe ZAGRODNIK.
3. Irene PLEESTERS, d. bef 1929. She married Steve HEIM.

4. Julia PLEESTERS, d. abt 1920. She married Joe GOLTZ.
5. Elsa PLEESTERS, d. bef 1978. She married Anthony TAPPA.
6. Nn PLEESTERS, d. young.
7. Nn PLEESTERS, d. young.

IIIb Louis BRUFFAERTS, born before 1887, died before 1941, son of Johannes Philippus BRUFFAERTS (II) and Maria Eugenia VANDENHOUTEN.

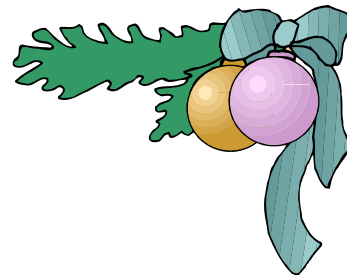
He married Nn. From this union were born:

1. Gladys BRUFFAERTS, d. bef. 1958.
2. Francis BRUFFAERTS.

IIIc Mathilda BRUFFAERTS, born before 1889, died before 1958, daughter of Johannes Philippus BRUFFAERTS (II) and Maria Eugenia VANDENHOUTEN.

She married Frank VANDERWEGEN. Together they had:

1. Helen VANDERWEGEN
2. Robert VANDERWEGEN. He married Elsie ZEILINSKI.
3. Raymond VANDERWEGEN, married Jeanette WELLENS.
4. Gordon VANDERWEGEN, married Louise TADYEN.
5. Wilbert VANDERWEGEN, married Evelyn BERGMAN.



Third letter

Neeryssche May 21st, 1868

Dear brother, sister and cousin,

It's with the greatest pleasure that I just learned from your letter that you are in good health and that you are doing well at earning a living. According to what you say, it is easier to establish oneself there than in the Belgenland. You mention Jan Koopmans, Vanderkelen, Petrus Goens, poor people from among us, who are now farmers. I hope that with the grace of God, things will go well for you as well. Remember to pray with your wife and your children so as to be happy in this world and your rest will be assured in the hereafter.

You write that there's all sorts of animals, like wolves, bears etc. as well as birds that sing all the time, come see where we have settled. . I didn't understand that you should wish for us to come for a visit as it is not possible. However, it might be that one of our children go, but not right away as I still could not do without any of them. Now that there is an uncle, an aunt and a cousin, they might be inclined to venture among strangers. But it won't be for another decade.

Frans went to the draft and picked the number 2. I must find him a substitute.

We also want you to know we are all in good health, and that we hope it is the same with you, as we wish such for you.

We along with all your family here send you our best regards; we wish you much happiness. Peter Vanpee passed away. Theodoor is now in charge of the whole thing. Peter gave me some money, before he died, to pay for 3 years of education for his oldest son. Best regards from the Poels woman and from Petronilla Decaffmeyer. Kobe Nowé and the hunter lost their job at the castle; the new Lady said they plundered enough and that they were done plucking her. The Huldenberg brewers hardly produce any beer, they're rich enough. The Huldenberg farmers will soon be informed of the increase of farming cost; according to what I heard they will pay 150 francs/hectare. As you see, there is not much profit to be made around here. Be Take comfort with your wife and child and thank God that He guided you to the promised land.

Write again later and give me all the details about your life and how much grain you will have stored up. I would ask that you write twice a year, as when I write to you, it is as if you were here and we were talking and it will be the same for you.

God willing we will see each other again in our eternal rest.

Best regards, my dear ones from your devoted brother and family, awaiting a future reply.

Henri Joseph Bruffaerts

DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION - BROWN COUNTY, WISCONSIN - A continuing series
by Mary Ann Defnet

The number of Belgians who declared their intention to become a citizen in the year 1885 was quite small - just 9. This list is submitted along with those of 1886. Names appear as written by the Clerk or the emigrant. Known corrections are in parentheses. Declarations are on file at the Area Research Center, University of Wisconsin/Green Bay.

Name	Birth Year	Port	Arrival	Declaration
F. DEBEN	1853	New York	Mar 1883	7 Apr 1885
Charles DELMARCELLE	1822	Philadelphia	Sept 1880	6 Apr 1885
Peter Joseph DELMARCELLE	1862	Philadelphia	Sept 1880	6 Apr 1885
Joseph ENGELS	1862	New York	Aug 1883	31 Mar 1885
Joseph GASTUCHE	1853	New York	Sept 1871	7 Apr 1885
Desire GILLING	1862	New York	Apr 1881	6 Apr 1885
Constant POTIER	1852	Detroit	Oct 1871	2 Apr 1885
John B. RENTIER	1844	New York	Sept 1883	6 Apr 1885
Peter VENNIX	1860	New York	Feb 1884	15 Sept 1885
Desire BEAUFaux	1846	New York	Sept 1855	20 Oct 1886
Anatole BOSSE	1858	New York	May 1883	5 Apr 1886
Eugene BOSSE	1840	Philadelphia	Jan 1878	23 Mar 1886
William CHARLES	1852	New York	Mar 1885	1 Nov 1886
Charles COLLAER	1865	Boston	May 1883	2 Dec 1886
Francis COOPHANS	1859	New York	Mar 1885	6 Apr 1886
Frank DE GREEF	1847	New York	June 1855	9 Jan 1886
Zachariah DE GREEFE	1852	New York	June 1854	5 Apr 1886
Antoine DELLOYE	1852	Philadelphia	Sept 1880	6 Apr 1886
Henry DELMARCELLE	1855	Philadelphia	Oct 1880	3 Apr 1886
Joseph DELMARCELLE	1861	Philadelphia	Sept 1880	6 Apr 1886
Francis DUCHATEAU	1820	New York	Aug 1883	3 Apr 1886
Guillaume DUCHATEAU	1847	New York	Aug 1883	1 Nov 1886
Jean Philippe DUCHATEAU	1852	New York	Aug 1883	1 Nov 1886
Eugene GIGON	1837	Detroit	Apr 1871	1 Nov 1886
Joseph GILSOUL	1858	New York	Mar 1884	2 Sept 1886
Henri GUNS	1843	New York	Sept 1885	16 Oct 1886
Engelbertus HAEZAERTS	1843	New York	Mar 1885	6 Apr 1886
Emil J. HANSET	1861	New York	June 1883	23 Mar 1886
Hipolite HALLAERT	1842	New York	Apr 1882	14 Oct 1886
Felix E. JOANNES	1854	New York	Aug 1856	18 Oct 1886
John LEGRAVE	1858	New York	May 1872	29 Mar 1886
Henry MELOO/MELEE	1843	Mackinac	June 1856	15 Nov 1886
Theodore J. PELLEGRIN	1852	New York	June 1856	1 Nov 1886
Gaspard PIERRE	1844	New York	June 1883	5 Apr 1886
William RODER/RODAER	1848	New York	Oct 1856	15 Nov 1886
Ferdinant ROUTHIEAUX	1847	New York	1854	7 Oct 1886
John TAILLEUR	1862	New York	July 1885	26 Oct 1886
Henry TENNIS, Jr.	1850	Green Bay	July 1856	7 Apr 1886
Walter THOMAS	1857	New York	Mar 1884	3 Apr 1886
William TILLY	1849	New York	June --	25 Feb 1886
Peter TUYLS	1851	New York	June 1855	8 Nov 1886
Victor VANDER VEREN	1852	New York	Apr 1880	3 Apr 1886
John VAN DE WALLE	1810	New York	Apr 1882	14 Oct 1886
Paul VAN DE WALLE	1854	New York	June 1881	14 Oct 1886
Jean Louis VANHUMBEECK	1860	New York	Feb 1882	6 Apr 1886

In the Land of Quarries : Dongelberg-Oppebais: from the beginning to the First World War

By Joseph TORDOIR, Incourt 1997

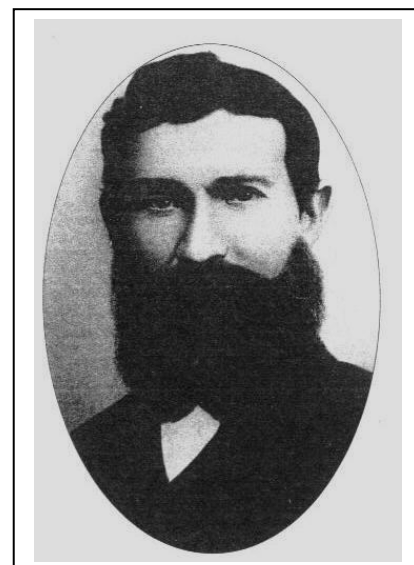
On March 9th of the same year (1868), Marie-Catherine ZONE had given them her house and her property. As of 1869, Alphonse MONIQUET, husband of Antoinette TILMAN, was listed as quarry master; his brother Adolphe, after getting nominated as game warden in Dongelberg in September 1870, would stop all professional activity.¹⁷

Gustave ZONE, born in Dongelberg in 1819, son of the master mason Laurent ZONE, was the first cousin of Jean-Joseph MONIQUET's wife. After being at the head of a primary education private school he established in Dongelberg, he had been nominated Public School teacher on April 20th, 1846 and had from then on exercised his functions to everyone's satisfaction.¹⁸ On November 3rd, 1864, the town of Dongelberg had sold city property to his wife, Eloise BADERT, of 9 ares 57 centiares, in which he had decided to open a quarry.¹⁹ As the project had succeeded, it was judged that Gustave ZONE who was also a land surveyor, was no longer able to fulfill his teaching responsibilities properly and in 1867, the local administration had relieved him of his duties.²⁰

The Auguste LIESSE mentioned as quarry master in Dongelberg in 1868, was no other than the same Auguste LIESSE, who in 1854, with his brother François, of Oppebais, had leased the Oppebais City Quarry. Born in Oppebais in 1822, he had married Maria-Catherine SANSDRAP, a young woman born in Dongelberg, daughter of Jean-François and of Marie-Thérèse DEGEHET. Resident of Fayt, Auguste LIESSE was already qualified as stone cutter in 1848, the year his first child was born.²¹ Having worked at the Oppebais Quarry until 1862, he continued his activity in Dongelberg, maybe at the old MICHAUX family Quarry that Charles-Alexandre and Rose MICHAUX had sold on Jun 15th, 1855 to Auguste SANSDRAP, farmer in Dongelberg, his brother-in-law.²² That same year 1863, Auguste LIESSE had bought back from Marie-Françoise MARCHAL, widow of SEPTFONTAINE, her rights to the long lease on a plot of city land, which extended on 5 ares 25 centiares, given in 1832 for a period of 99 years.²³

Jacques GRIGNARD, born in Baelen (Province of Liège) in 1817, had settled in Dongelberg in 1843, which was the year he married Rose SAPIN, of Dongelberg. As we noted earlier, 2 years later, he leased 2 plots of public land for 50 years. In 1845, he was a daylaborer while he was recorded in 1847 as a stone cutter on the civil registers. With the years, his enterprise had grown but a spring must have caused him some trouble. On January 17th, 1860, he was finally given permission to install a wheel on the Orbais, to remove water from his quarry.²⁴ Father of 5 sons, he was listed as a stone merchant in March 1865²⁵.

Henri PIERRE, born in Wavre in 1808, had settled in Dongelberg ten years earlier than Jacques GRIGNARD. In 1832, he had married Manie-Henriette ROMARIN, of Dongelberg. Usually known as a day laborer, he became a stone cutter in the early 1860s. Before January 1863, he had bought the rights to a long term lease of 99 years from Jean-Joseph LOUBRY, who had acquired them in 1830²⁶, and became quarry master.²⁷



Auguste LIESSE, husband of Eugénie MARCHAL, quarry owner at Oppebais (Collection of Denise LIESSE of Jodoigne)

¹⁷ A.G.R., N.G.B., #37.138. Notarial record of Maître Justinien Pastur., of Jodoigne, dated April 25th, 1870.

¹⁸ town of Jodoigne. City Archives of Dongelberg. *Registre aux délibérations du conseil communal*. Session of Apr. 20th, 1846

¹⁹ Ditto. Session of Nov. 3rd, 1864

²⁰ TORDOIR, Jh., *Chronique de la vie politique, économique et sociale d'une commune rurale: Dongelberg (1894-1914)*. Part One: 1894-1900, in "Wavriensia", Vol. XLII, 1993, #3, p.102.

²¹ town of Jodoigne. City Archives of Dongelberg. *Registres de l'Etat-Civil*

²² A.G.R., N.G.B., #34.166. Notarial record of Maître Justinien Pastur., of Jodoigne, dated June 15th, 1855

²³ A.G.R., N.G.B., #34.183. Notarial record of Maître Justinien Pastur., of Jodoigne, dated Jan. 9th, 1863

²⁴ TARLIER, J. et WAUTERS, A., op. cit., Dongelberg, p.124. the authors speak of permission given to a Mr. GROGNARD. It actually is Jacques GRIGNARD, not GROGNARD.

²⁵ A.G.R., N.G.B., #33.418. Notarial record of Maître Pascal-Lucien Leclercq, of Jodoigne, dated March 26th, 1865.

²⁶ A.G.R., N.G.B., #34.183. Notarial record of Maître Justinien Pastur., of Jodoigne, dated Jan 9th, 1863. Mention of the session on the rights from LOUBRY to PIERRE.

²⁷ A.G.R., N.G.B., #37.151. Notarial record of Maître Justinien Pastur., of Jodoigne, dated. March 28th, 1867

In 1870, the varying long term leases on quarry land brought in annual revenues of 200fr. to the city administration of Dongelbeng. The growth experienced between 1860-1870 had of course led to the increase in the number of stone cutters. Around 1870, about 24 workers were employed at at least 4 sites on the road between Dongelbeng and Penwez, known as State road²⁸.

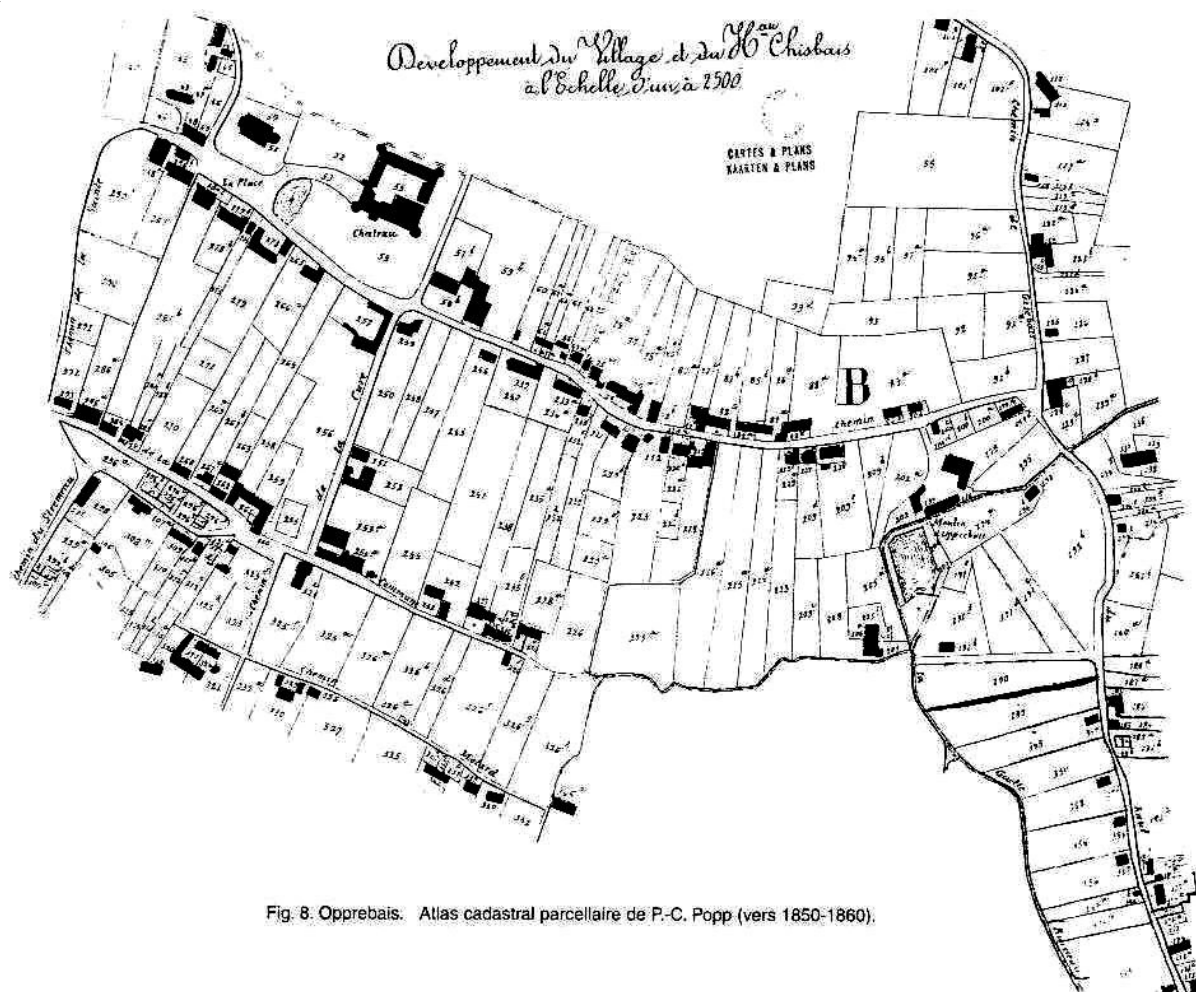


Fig. 8. Opprebais. Atlas cadastral parcellaire de P.-C. Popp (vers 1850-1860).

In Opprebais:

The 1860-1861 Commerce and Industry Almanach mentioned 2 active quarries: the public quarry leased to François LIESSE and his brother Auguste, as well as a site worked by the quarry master Pierre DAUBY²⁹. The 1870 Almanach, only lists one: the one belonging to the LIESSE Brothers, but this time, it was the one belonging to the brothers Auguste and Eugène LIESSE who were not closely related to the previous owners.³⁰

Around 1860, Pierre DAUBY, who had a son who was cantor in the Parish of Opprebais, lived in the hamlet of Chisebais, in a house that was rather remote from the road to Manil and to the road from Namur to Louvain³¹. He might be the one who continued Nestor BOSSE's work at the quarry in 1851. The Administration of Thorembais Saint-Trond had bought tiles from the DAUBY Quarry in May 1861³². Pierre DAUBY was still listed as quarry master in the 1868 Almanach, but he was to stop soon after that³³.

The most important quarry in Opprebais, and the one destined to have the best future was obviously the city quarry whose progress we have followed till the end of the 18th century.

²⁸ TARLIER, J. et WAUTERS, A., op. cit., Dongelberg, 1872, p.122.

²⁹ TARLIER, H., 1861 Almanach du commerce et de l'Industrie, Part 2, Bruxelles, 1860-1861, p.429

³⁰ TARLIER, H., Almanach du commerce et de l'Industrie, Bruxelles, June 1870, p.547.

³¹ POPP, P.-C., Land Registry of Belgium. Province de Brabant. Arrondissement de Nivelles. Canton de Jodoigne. Commune d'Opprebais, Gand, s.d.ed. . His house was registered as section B, #149 d.

³² Town of Perwez. City Archives of Thorembais-Saint-Trond.. Session of May 20th, 1861.

³³ TARLIER, H., Almanach du commerce et de l'industrie, 1868, Bruxelles, 1868, p.545.



Worked until the end of 1862 by the brothers, François and Auguste LIESSE, it had been released that same year to Auguste and Eugène LIESSE, sons of the carpenter Jean-Baptiste LIESSE, born respectively in Opprebais in 1840 and 1842³⁴. It is from this second set of LIESSE brothers that the city of Thorembais-Saint-Trond had bought large quantities of stones in 1864, 1866 and 1868³⁵. During 1869, the administration of Opprebais decided to sell the site. On June 16th, 1869, the provincial Council of Brabant accepted the project and, the following August 2nd, this quarry, called “the big quarry”, measuring 58 ares 65 centiares, registered as section B, #192, was sold for 8,600 francs; half to the pharmacist François-Joseph PASTEELS, of Opprebais³⁶; the other half to Auguste and Eugène LIESSE³⁷. By March 1871, PASTEELS had already sold his share to the LIESSE brothers.³⁸



Fig. 10: Dongelberg. Atlas cadastral parcellaire de P.-C. Popp (vers 1850-1860).

³⁴ 9 y lease of the city quarry of Opprebais given Dec. 29th, 1862 by the mayor of Opprebais, and annual rent of 242 francs. Bureau de l'Enregistrement des Domaines. Jodoigne. Om January 15th, 1866, Auguste LIESSE married Eugénie MARCHAL, born at Opprebais on May 1st, 1842. A few weeks later, Feb. 15th, 1866, his brother Eugène, married LIESSE, born in Opprebais le 2 novembre 1847, fille de Ferdinand Liesse et de Marie-Joseph Janssens.

³⁵ Ville de Perwez. City Archives of Thorembais-Saint-Trond. Deliberation Register of the city council. Session of May 13th, 1864, March 8th, 1866 and May 4th, 1868.

³⁶ François-Joseph PASTEELS was born at Opprebais in 1824. He was married to Adolphine GENOTTE, of Incourt and died at Opprebais on October 4th, 1895. Concerning the PASTEELS of Opprebais, see also PASTIELS, A., Family genealogy of the PASTEEL Family. The Opprebais PASTEELS. Pierre-Joseph PASTEELS' branch (729) and Eugénie PASTEELS (794), 1757-1994, volume 6, 1994.

³⁷ A.G.R., N.G.B., #37.137. Acte du notaire Justinien Pastur, de Jodoigne, dated Aug 2nd, 1869

³⁸ A.G.R., Gouvernement provincial du Brabant. Etablissements insalubres et incommodes. Dossier C 171.10.

THE 1870-1885 RESTRUCTURING

In 1873, about 80 stone workers found employment in the different Dongelberg quarries, including among them a certain number of day laborers.¹ This successful situation deteriorated quickly however. In fact, in 1865, the sale price of cobblestone had returned to normal.² The high demand had balanced out the loss of expected earnings but little by little, in the name of its great works, the State had favored the purchase of cobblestone from large industrial companies such as the one of Quenest.³ Where, as in Dongelberg, there were several small quarries, the need for restructuring was vital. The death of two quarry master and the departure of a third for the United States were determining factors. The fact that work was stopped at the Gustave ZONE quarry also contributed.⁴

In July and August 1871, well intent on emigrating to the United States, the quarry master Auguste LIESSE had sold most of his possessions in Dongelberg, Glimes and Opprebais.⁵ In October 1875, while settled in Green Bay, among the other Belgian emigrants in that Wisconsin city, LIESSE sold another one of his property located in Dongelberg, to the quarry master Désiré DEGEHET, his old neighbor.⁶ In 1876-1877, the LIESSE-SANSDRAP couple had no more real estate in the town. About 10 years later, their children, settled in the US, would take part in a division of assets belonging to the SANSDRAP family in Jodoigne and area.⁷

It was at the time of the sale of Auguste LIESSE's property that Henri PIERRE and his wife, born ROMARIN passed away. She died on March 17th, 1876, her husband following her on May 17th.⁸ Their estate was not immediately divided between their children and so, their son Alphonse PIERRE may have continued to work the quarry located on their property along the road between Dongelberg and Incourt.⁹ On January 29th, 1883, an agreement still pending between Alphonse PIERRE and his co-heirs, the paternal house along with all its buildings and an "old quarry" leased for long term, covering a total surface of 11.63 ares were sold at an auction sale for 380. 08 francs to Auguste SANSDRAP, of Dongelberg.⁹



¹ *Procès-verbaux des séances d'enquête concernant le travail industriel*, volume ii, Bruxelles, 1887, p.192

² Rapport de la Chambre de Commerce de Nivelles, du 5 mai 1865, dans *Exposé de la situation administrative de la Province de Brabant. Année 1865*, Bruxelles, 1865, p.962-963.

³ *Procès-verbaux des stances d'enquête concernant le travail industriel*, volume II, Bruxelles, 1887, p.193.

⁴ TORDOIR, Jh, op, cit, p 102-103

⁵ *Bureau de l'Enregistrement des Domaines. Jodoigne*. Registre des Propriétaires. Référence ~ différents actes de ventes enregistrés en juillet et août 1871.

⁶ A.G.R., N.G.B., #37.419. Acte du notaire Justinien Pastur, de Jodoigne, daté du 3 octobre 1875. It's the sale of woods of 5 ares 74 centiares that LIESSE himself had bought from the LIEGEOIS-DOYEN couple on April 4th, 1855, before the Notaire Libert de Longueville.

⁷ Etude du notaire Jean Dandoy, de Jodoigne. Acte du notaire Léon-Clément Pastur, de Jodoigne, daté du 23 février 1885. Auguste LIESSE being dead as was his wife, are listed as heirs: Gustave Liesse, carpenter in Green Bay; Elvire Liesse, wife of de Charles Denis, farmers in the town of Defrène, WI; Cléophile Liesse, seamstress in Green Bay; Marie-Catherine Liesse, wife of Hector DEFRENNE, carpenter in Chicago; Josephine Liesse, wife of Charles LANOY, building painter in Chicago and hermanse Liesse, no profession, in Chicago, all born in Dongelberg.

⁸ Ville de Jodoigne. Archives communales de Dongelberg. *Registres de l'Etat-Civil*.

⁹ *Le Courrier de Nivelles*, 25 novembre 1882

⁹ Etude du notaire Gaetan de Streel, de Beauvechain. Acte du notaire Arthur Libert, de Longueville, dated January 29th, 1883. The PIERRE house was registered as section B # 742. The old quarry, used as a meadow, was registered section B #747 and covered a surface of 4.6 ares. Among Alphonse PIERRE's brothers and sisters, we list among others: Joseph PIERRE, merchant in Incourt; Antoine PIERRE, day laborer at Jodoigne-Souveraine; JulieHortense PIERRE, wife of Charles WODON-WAUTERS, grain sellers in Paris; Honoré PIERRE, driver at Brussels and Flore PIERRE, merchant in Lille.

Belgian Janitors in Chicago (Part 2)

Georges PICAVET, Kruibeke, Belgium

Please contact Georges PICAVET for the complete listing and or additional information, at picavet@ping.be

BAETE, Martha, Spouse: Ben RAES, ° 20 Aug 1884, Eksaarde; † 23 Mar 1968, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BAETÉ, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAETÉ]
 ° 28 Feb 1931, Stekene
 [BAETÉ], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAETÉ
 ° 9 Dec 1932, Gent, Oost Vlaanderen
 BAICA, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAICA]
 ° 22 Dec 1942, Romania
 [BAICA], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAICA
 ° 3 Nov 1942, Romania
 [BAJSANSKI], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAJANSKI
 ° 20 Feb 1941, Yugoslavia
 BAJANSKI, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAJSANSKI]
 ° 22 Oct 1946, Yugoslavia
 BAKER, Leonard, Spouse: Margaret [BAKER]
 ° 3 Jun 1917, Chicago, Cook, Illinois; † 13 Dec 1969, Phoenix, Arizona
 [BAKER], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAKER
 ° 27 Mar 1922, Portage, Wood, Ohio
 BAKER, [Private], ° 13 Jun 1940, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BAKOWSKI, [Private], ° 27 Oct 1943, Waterschei
 BALESKI, Helen, Spouse: Aloysius Alphonsius VAN DORSELAER, ° 1893/1917
 BALINSKI, Henry, ° 19 Jul 1914; † 16 Sep 1990
 BALLIAUW, Henri ° 10 Mar 1895, Belgium
 BALLOU, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BALLOU]
 ° 2 Sep 1927, Mc Creary, Kentucky
 [BALLOU], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BALLOU
 ° 16 Nov 1930, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 [BANCKAERT], Germaine, Spouse: Raymond
 BANCKAERT ° 4 Nov 1901, Gent, Oost Vlaanderen
 BANCKAERT, Raymond, Spouse: Germaine
 [BANCKAERT] ° 22 Aug 1888, Belgium; † 31 Jan 1965
 [BARABASZ], Joan, Spouse: John L BARABASZ
 ° 8 Apr 1921, New York, New York; † Jul 1990
 BARABASZ, John L, Spouse: Joan [BARABASZ]
 ° 12 Apr 1913, Chicago, Cook, Illinois; † 25 Jul 1974
 BARBIER, Joe ° bef 1920, Belgium
 [BARLOW], Bessie, Spouse: Lonnie BARLOW
 ° 18 Apr 1904, Bement, Piatt, Illinois
 BARLOW, Lonnie, Spouse: Bessie [BARLOW]
 ° 24 Feb 1906, Nancy, Pulaski, Kentucky; † Jan 1979, Illinois
 [BARLOW], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BARLOW
 ° 8 Jul 1936, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BARLOW, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BARLOW]
 ° 9 Nov 1936, Monticello, Piatt, Illinois
 BARTH, Frank, Spouse: Mabel [BARTH]
 ° 30 May 1915, Michigan; † Nov 1980, Illinois
 [BARTH], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BARTH
 ° ca 1903/1927, Waukegan, Lake, Illinois
 BARTLETT, Charles E, Spouse: Rosemary [BARTLETT]
 ° 29 Sep 1920, Mundelein, Lake, Illinois
 [BARTLETT], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BARTLETT
 ° 28 Oct 1924, Evanston, Cook, Illinois

BAUER, Frank, Spouse: Katherine [BAUER]
 ° 3 Sep 1903, Yugoslavia; † Nov 1973, Illinois
 [BAUER], Katherine, Spouse: Frank BAUER
 ° 22 Dec 1905, Yugoslavia; † 14 Mar 1991
 BAUER, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAUER]
 ° 18 Mar 1928, Yugoslavia
 [BAUER], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAUER
 ° 8 Aug 1932, Yugoslavia
 BAUER, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAUER]
 ° 1 Jun 1946, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 [BAUER], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAUER Jr
 ° 6 Jan 1949, Gent, Oost Vlaanderen
 BAUMHARDT, [Private], Spouse: [Private]
 [BAUMHARDT] ° 1 Jan 1926, Campbellsport, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
 [BAUMHARDT], [Private], Spouse: [Private]
 BAUMHARDT ° 11 Aug 1926, Liege
 BAUWENS, Georgina A, Spouse: Marcel COOLS
 ° 26 Aug 1923, Sint Niklaas; † 7 Sep 1990, Washington, Vilas, Wisconsin
 BAUWENS, Gerard Michael, Spouse: Edna B LENZ
 ° 25 Aug 1902, De Klinge; † 18 Feb 1992, Lake Wales, Polk, Florida
 [BAUWENS], nn, Spouse: Gerard Michael BAUWENS
 ° ca 1890/1914; † 1957
 BAUWENS, [Private], Spouse: [Private] [BAUWENS]
 ° 22 Dec 1925, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 [BAUWENS], [Private], Spouse: [Private] BAUWENS Sr
 ° 12 Jul 1928, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BAYET, Ed
 [BECKER], Jeanette, Spouse: Nickolas A BECKER
 ° 1 Jul 1912, New York, New York
 BECKER, Nickolas A, Spouse: Jeanette [BECKER]
 ° 8 Aug 1917, Tessville, Cook, Illinois
 BECQUÉ, Albert Maria, Spouse: Rosalie SOPHIE
 ° 20 Apr 1891, Zaffelare, Oost Vlaanderen; † 24 Aug 1966, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BECQUÉ, Alfred Petrus Joannes, Spouse: Mathilda VAN DIEDONCK
 ° 19 Apr 1889, Lokeren; † 12 Dec 1967, Meulebeke, West Vlaanderen
 BECQUÉ, Bernice, Spouse: Alfons Emiel VERTENTEN
 ° 31 Dec 1910; † 23 Mar 1958, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BECQUÉ, John Albert, Spouse: Genoveva KOJROWICZ KAJIROVIC?
 ° 14 Apr 1915, Chicago, Cook, Illinois; † 22 Nov 1995, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BEGHYN, Benjamin, Spouse: Blanche [BEGHYN]
 ° 21 Aug 1913, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 [BEGHYN], Blanche, Spouse: Benjamin BEGHYN
 ° 28 Feb 1913, Chicago, Cook, Illinois
 BEGHYN, Ghislaine Rosalie, Spouse: Gislenus Franciscus ROMBAUT° 17 Jul 1911, Chicago, Cook, Illinois; † 21 Apr 1986, Saint Germain, Vilas, Wisconsin.

COCKERILL

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John COCKERILL, founder of today's Cockerill-Sambre-Usinor group was born in England in 1790.

He first followed in his father's footsteps in building machines to card and spin wool.

In 1817, after many travels throughout Europe, John and his brother James bought the castle of Seraing, which offered many economical advantages: located on the Meuse River, in the mining area, with a large working population.

In those days, the iron works were not very productive and King William of the Netherlands gave John COCKERILL the task to develop the industry.

The first improvement to be introduced was the building of big coke ovens, replacing the big coal ovens, which was considered an industrial revolution.

In 1830, Belgium wanted to extend its network of railroad. The COCKERILL factories deliver the rail, locomotives and iron materials.

By 1838, John COCKERILL had reached the peak of his career: he had established a really independent industrial outfit, equipped with high ovens, foundry, ironworks, ovens, rolling mills, forges, building enterprise (fitting and turning), located next to the collieries and a port allowing transport for his merchandise.

However about that time, John COCKERILL was hurt in an accident and his investors got scared, thus causing a financial crisis. Finding capitals proved to be impossible.

Discouraged, John COCKERILL died of Typhoid fever in 1940 during a business trip to Warsaw.

His successors were Eugène SADOINE then, Adolphe GREINER, whose names would both be given to some of the Meuse River banks.

Associations, mergers, integrations make up the rest of the Society's history.

1842: Société Anonyme John Cockerill.

1955: Merger with the Société Ougrée-Marihay, after which the company will be known as Cockerill-Ougrée.

1966: Period of economic growth, "Golden Sixties": merger with the Providence, which renames the company Cockerill-Ougrée-Providence.

1970: Integration of the "Espérance-Longdoz" (founder of Chertal) and renamed "Cockerill".

Similar changes took place on June 26th, 1981: the companies of the Liège area combined forces with those of Charleroi to form the largest Belgian industrial group: Cockerill Sambre.

One problem remained however on the export market as Cockerill Sambre's prices remained too high.

Mr. Jean GANDOIS' arrival would save Cockerill Sambre. He decided to analyze the situation carefully, weighing strengths and weaknesses. His goal was leadership in cold rolling and coating. His trump cards are quality and performance to answer the expectations and needs of demanding customers.

Other acquisitions come to strengthen the group: Phenix Works with its experience in galvanized sheets and Eko Stahl, in Germany, for its positioning within the European community.

In the end, Cockerill Sambre groups more or less 200 companies and covers a varied field of activity and products. To name a few: white iron, zinc sheets, coated metal sheets, for the automobile industry, housewares, packing and construction.

Jean GANDOIS talks of strategic alliance with another European metalworks company. There are other proposals from Thyssen, British Steel, Hoogovens, Arbed and Usinor. It is with Usinor that a partnership was established. Usinor offers to buy back the Walloon government shares, that is 53.77%, for 26 billions Belgian francs. The European commission gave its agreement and the alliance was formed on Feb 9th, 1999 giving birth to the first European Metal Works group: Cockerill Sambre Usinor.

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The Belgian Jesuits in the Middle United States (Part 2)

By Chuck Van Den Eeden

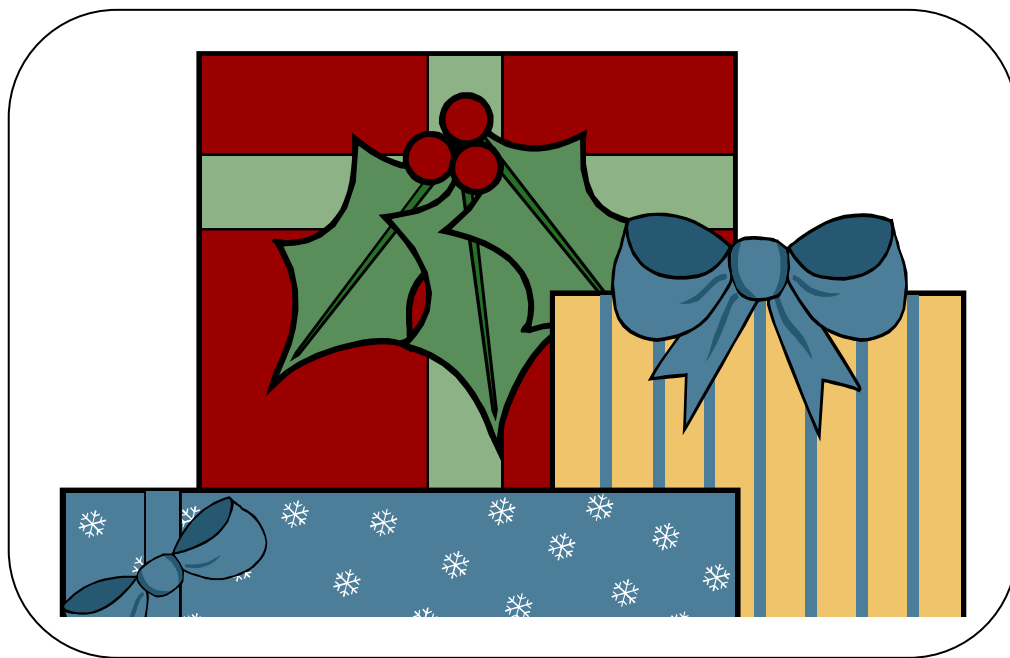
Hendrickx , Adrian	Bro./Sem Stu		
Henry , John P.	Bro.	b 1828	d 1873
Heylen , Joseph A.	Sem. Stu.	b 4 Oct 1863	d ?
Heylen , Louis	SJ/Fr.	b 1828	d 1863
Heynen , Christian	Sem. Stu.	b 1853	d 1875
Hoecken , Christian	SJ/Fr.	b 1808	d 1851
Hoefkens , Francis X.	Sem. Stu.	b 17 Mar 1874	d 15 June 1949
Hoey , Michael	Bro.	b 1797	d 1872
Horstmann , Francis X.	SJ/Fr.	b 1812	d 1856
Huet , Charles J.	Bro/Sem. Stu.	b 26 Aug 1805	
Huvet , Herman J.	Sem. Stu.	b 1856	d 1880
Jacquet , Louis	SJ Bro./Sem Stu.	b 18 Jan 1854	d ?
Kalcher , Francis X.	SJ/Fr.	b 1806	d 1852
Kenney ,	Fr.		
Kenrick ,	Bishop		
Kernion , Joseph	Fr.		
Kilcullin , John	Bro.	b 1823 d 1891	
Killoren , Jack	Fr.		
Kindekens , Peter	Sem. Stu.	b 3 May 1815	d ? left Society of Jesus
Konig , Peter W.	SJ/Fr.	b. 1825	d 1862
Kossnar , Wenceslaus	Bro.	b 1822	d 1876
Kreynen , Bartholomew	SJ/Fr.	b 1808	d 1839
Kuhlman , John T.	SJ/Fr.	b 1821	d 1887
Kuppens , Francis X.	Sem. Stu.	b 18 June 1838	d 8 Apr 1916
Lagae , Constantine	Sem. Stu.	b 7 Jan 1841	d 18 Mar 1925
Laigneil , Aloysius	Sem. Stu.	b 29 Aug 1835	d ?
Lambeir , Aloysius	Sem. Stu.	b 25 Nov 1842	d ?
Lambert see Lambeir			
Lebeau , Alphonse J.	Sem. Stu.	b 29 Jan 1872	d 5 June 1949
Lesperance , John	Sem Stu		
Levisse , Anthony	Fr.		
Leysen , Peter J.	Sem. Stu.	b 29 Aug 1836	d 17 May 1894
Lohmann , Theodore	Bro.	b 1797	d 1886
Loretan , Anthony	SJ/Fr.	b 1819	d 1852
Lunemann , John H.	SJ/Fr.	b 1831	d 1864
Luyton , Francis X.	Sem. Stu.	b 27 Apr 1847	d ?
Luytens , Francis J.	Sem Stu		Left the Society of Jesus
Maes , Ignatius	Sem. Stu.	b 31 Jan 1817	d 13 Apr 1871
Maesseele , Angelo	Sem. Stu.	b 4 May 1812	d ?
Maher , James	Bro.	b 1817	d 1884
Meier , Edward J.	SJ		
Mertens , Octavius	Sem. Stu.	b 27 Jan 1857	d ?
Meurin , Sabastian L.	SJ/Fr.	b 1707	d 1777
Michaels , Clement	SJ/Fr.	b 1857	d 1885
Moreau , Polidorus	Sem. Stu.	b 4 Oct 1830	d ?
Mouhallier , [?] George P.		b 19 Feb 1878	d?
Mullanphy , John Layman			
Neiderkorn , William	SJ/Fr.	b 1823	d 1886
Neile , Charles	SJ/Fr.		
Nerinckx , Charles	Fr.		
Odin , J. M.	Fr.		
Oldenhof , Theodore W.	Sem Stu		Left the Society of Jesus
Panken , Ignatius	Sem Stu		
Pattau , Angel	Sem. Stu.	b 20 Apr 1833	d ?
Peleman , Joseph	Sem. Stu.	b 26 July 1855	d 23 Nov 1879

Key

Fr.	Father/Priest
Sem Stu	Seminary Student
Bro.	Brother/Relious
SJ	Society of Jesus
Lay Person	Not a religious/Citizen

Perou, Francis P.	Bro.	b 1863 d 1891	
Peters, Hubert J.	Sem. Stu.	b 20 Aug 1831	d 3 Jan 1911
Peuckert, Ignatius	SJ/Fr.	b 1821	d 1878
Philips, John B.	Sem. Stu.	b 9 Mar 1822	d ? Left Society of Jesus
Point, Nicolas	SJ/Fr.		
Portis, Charles	Sem. Stu.	b 1873	d 1893
Potier, Michael	Bishop		
Power, Michael	Bro.	b 1813	d 1847
Punch, William H.	Bro.	b 1855	d 1877
Ragan, Patrick	Bro.	b 1812	d 1873
Raemdonck, Joseph J.	Sem. Stu.	b 24 mar 1874	d 14 Jan 1951
Reisselman, Henry	Bro.	b 1784	d 1857
Roeloff, Roman	Sem. Stu.	b 28 Dec 1817	d 4 Aug 1862
Roes, John	Sem. Stu.	b. 29 June 1816	d 15 Sept 1839
Roest, Henry	Sem. Stu.	b 23 Apr 1833	d 25 Apr 1858
Rosati, Joseph	Fr./Bishop		
Rubillon,	Fr.		
Saulnier, Edmund	Fr.		
Sautois, Florian J.	Sem. Stu.	b 20 Oct 1809	d 11 Nov 1886
Schaak, Theodore	Sem Stu		
Schaapman, Henry	Sem Stu		
Schoensetters, John Louis ;	Sem. Stu.	b 7 Dec 1830	d ?
Seisl, Martin	SJ/Fr.	b 1814	d 1878
Servais, Leopold	Sem. Stu.	b 31 Dec 1843	d ?
Sinner, Leo	Sem. Stu.	b 19 Dec 1839	d 8 Jan 1921 l
Smarius,	Fr.		
Smedts, John Baptist	SJ/Fr.	b 11 Apr 1801 in Rotselaer [Brabant]	d 19 Feb 1855 in St. Louis, MO
Smolders, Thomas J.	Sem. Stu.	b 1798	d 1874
Steippens, Francois	Layman		
Steurs, Peter F.	Bro./Sem. Stu	b 14 ? 1791	d ?
Strahan, Charles	Bro.		
Stuntebeck, Francis	Sem Stu		
Summers, Richard	Bro.	b 1800	d 1881
Swagemakers, Daniel	Sem Stu		
Timmermans, Peter J.	SJ/Fr.	b 20 July 1783 , Turnout	d 24 May 1824, Florissant, Missouri
Truyens, Charles	SJ/ Fr.	b 11 Feb 1811/1813?	d 14 Dec 1867
Tschenhens, Joseph	Bro.	b 1800	d 1882
Tschieder,	Fr.		
Van Agt, Michael	Sem Stu		
Van Agtmael, Francis J.	Sem. Stu.	b 23 Apr 1820	d ?
Van Assche, Judocus F.	SJ/Fr.	b 29 may 1800, St-Amand [Anvers]	d 52 June 1877, Florissant, Mo
Van Den Driessche, Charles J.	Sem. Stu.	b 13 May 1820	d ?
Vanden Eycken, Maurice	Sem Stu	b 26 Aug 1814	d 9 Aug 1887
Van de Velde, James	SJ/Fr.	b 1795	d 1855
Van der Borgt, Francis	Sem Stu	b 10 Oct 1810	d 31 July 1864
VanDerHeyden, William	SJ/Fr.	b 1842	d 1882
Van Derkes	Fr.		
Van der Moortel, John T.	Sem. Stu.	b 19 May 1843	d ?
Van Dumme	Bro.		
Van Gorp, Leopold	Sem Stu	b 11 June 1834	d 7 Apr 1905
Van Houtvelt,	Bro.		
van Krevel, John	Sem Stu		
Van Leent, John	Fr.		
Van Leugenhaege, Joseph	Sem Stu		
Van Loco, Peter J.	Sem. Stu.	b 24 Dec 1843	d 23 Oct 1880
Van Lommel, John	SJ/Fr.	b 1803	d 1833
Van Mierlo, Henry	SJ/Fr.	b 1813	d 1885
Van Quickenborne, Charles F.	SJ/Fr.	b 21 Jan 1788, Peteghem-lez-Deynz,	d 24 May 1837, Portage des Sioux, MO
Van Raemdonck	see Raemdonck		
VanSadelhoff, Henry B.	Bro.	b 1823	d 1887

Van Sweevelt , Judocus	SJ/Fr.	b 1804	d 1841
Van Voeren , Edouard	Lay Person		
Van Wesenbeck	[see Wesenbeck]		
Van Zeeland , Joseph	Sem Stu		
Verdin , Joseph	Sem. Stu.	b 1821	d 1844
Verdin , John S.	SJ/Fr.	b 1822	d 1889
Verhagen , Peter J.	SJ/Fr.	b 21 June 1800, Haeght [Brabant]	d 21 July 1868, St. Charles, MO
Verhelst , Joseph	Bro./Sem. Stu.	b 4 Dec 1875	d 15 Aug 1898
Verhelst , Louis C.	Bro./Sem. Stu.	b 5 Dec 1873	d 31 Dec 1947
Verheyden , Peter F.	Sem. Stu.	b 7 Mar 1809	
Verreydt , Felix L.	SJ/Fr.	b 18 Feb 1798 in Diest [Brabant]	d 1 Mar 1883 in Cincinnati, Ohio
Versavel , Athur F.	Sem. Stu.	b 16 Apr 1871	d 13 Aug 1952
Verschaffel , Roman	Sem. Stu.	b. 16 Aug 1838	d ?
Vetongen , Louis C.	Sem. Stu.	b 7 Apr 1830	d Left Society of Jesus
Vertongen , Charles	Sem Stu		
Vonck , Alphonsus L.	Sem. Stu.	b 24 Jan 1855	d ?
Walshe , James G.	Sem Stu		
Walters , Cornelius	SJ/ Fr.	b 1804	d 1844
Weber , Joseph P.	SJ/Fr.	b 1815	d 1890
Weckx , Peter John [?]	Sem. Stu.	b 26 Dec 1876	d ?
Weinman ,	Sem Stu		
Weninger , Francis X.	SJ/Fr.	b. 1805	d 1888
Wippern , Francis X.	SJ/Fr.	b 1815	d 1892
Wise , George	Sem. Stu.	b 1836	d 1858
Yates , James	Bro.	b 1807	d 1833
Zealand ,	Sem Stu		



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Van Mackelbughe, Adeil	35	WD	Head	Belgium	Pending 1910	
Van Mackelbughe, Alice R.	11	S	Daughter	Belgium	Alien	
Van Mackelbughe, Emma	8	S	Daughter	illegible		
Van Mackelbughe, Lenardt	6	S	Son	illegible		
Van Mackelbughe, Bertha	3	S	Daughter	illegible		
Van Laken, Peter J.	38	M	Head	Belgium	Nat. 1910	1902
Van Laken, Marie	34	M	Wife	Belgium	Nat. 1910	1902
Van Laken, Gabriella	17	S	Daughter	Belgium	Nat. 1910	1902
Van Laken, Julia	14	S	Daughter	Illinois		
Van Laken, Arthur	6	S	Son	Idaho		
Lievens, Rene	42	M	Head	Belgium	Pending 1910	
Lievens, Malevina	34	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien 1911	
Lievens, Eoane A.	10	S	Daughter	Belgium	Alien 1911	
Lievens, Leon A.	7	S	Son	Iowa		
Lievens, Edna	5	S	Daughter	Iowa		
LeClercq, Albanao	38	M	Head	Belgium	Pending 1912	
LeClercq, Earlin	33	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien 1915	
LeClercq, Emma M.	11	S	Daughter	Belgium	Alien 1915	
LeClercq, Julia	7	S	Daughter	Belgium	Alien 1915	
LeClercq, Julius	3	S	Son	Montana		
LeClercq, Henry	23m	S	Son	Montana		
LeClercq, Mary	8m	S	Daughter	Montana		
Van Loo, Louis D.	42	S	Head	Belgium	Nat. 1904	1899
Bouwens, Arthur	33	M	Head	Belgium	Alien 1914	
Bouwens, Stealena	27	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien 1914	
Bouwens, Madeline	6	S	Daughter	Belgium	Alien 1914	
Bouwens, Margaret	2	S	Daughter	Montana		
Van Lachene, August	31	M	Head	Belgium	Pending 1913	
Van Lachene, Irma C.	31	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien 1917	
Van Lachene, Frank	7	S	Son	Belgium	Alien 1917	
Van Lachene, Daniel	6	S	Son	Belgium	Alien 1917	
Van Lachene, Victor	3	S	Son	Belgium	Alien 1917	
Van Lachene, Arthur	20	M	Cousin	Belgium	Alien 1920	
Van Lachene, Emelie	24	M	Cousin	Belgium	Alien 1920	
Deketele, Juleus	32	S	Head	Belgium	Nat. 1919	1913
Snoreck, Rene	36	S	Head	Belgium	Pending 1912	
DeReock, Philipp	35	S	Head	Belgium	Pending 1910	
Martena, Albert	36	M	Head	Belgium	Nat. 1915	1901
Martena, Louise M	29	M	Wife	Belgium	Nat. 1915	1901
Martena, Arthur R.	11	S	Son	Illinois		
Martena, Alma M.	10	S	Daughter	Montana		
Martena, Joseph W	8	S	Son	Montana		
Martena, Helen M.	6	S	Daughter	Montana		
Martena, Robert	2	S	Son	Montana		
Van Haslett, Emil	43	M	Head	Belgium	Alien	
Van Haslett, Louise	29	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien	
Van Haslett, Mary	2	S	Daughter	Montana		
Danseaert, Louis	35	M	Head	Belgium	Pending 1914	
Danseaert, Marie	34	M	Wife	Belgium	Alien 1914	
Danseaert, Edward	10	S	Son	Belgium	Alien 1914	
Danseaert, Clementina	5	S	Daughter	Montana		
Danseaert, Phillip L.	5m	S	Son	Montana		
Cook, Cerial	40	S	Head	Belgium	Pending 1916	

Area News:

The Wisconsin Corner

The Peninsula Belgian-American Club held its last regular meeting of the year on Thursday, October 18. The annual Christmas dinner will take place December 2. Members are planning a trip to Belgium from June 12 to 27, 2002, if all goes well with the world situation. Many calls and letters of concern were received from friends in Belgium following the September terrorist attack. These reassurances of support were greatly welcomed by Club members.

We extend our sympathy to Joyce (ALLARD) LAMPEREUR whose mother, Ceil ALLARD, passed away on October 18. Ceil and Austin ALLARD, former Vice-President of the Peninsula Belgian-American Club, made several trips to Belgium leading the group on the biennial visits. Joyce is a member of Belgian Laces.

Father DUCAT and Mathieu LUYIS of St. Stevens-Woluwe were hosts to Dennis and Lila MUELLER of Belgium, Wisconsin, last month. Lila, the City Clerk at Belgium, was invited to meet officials in Luxembourg Province and in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. Mary Ann Defnet



BRUEGEL DRAWINGS AT MET

September 25 - December 2 - New York, NY



previous exhibition - are on view at the Metropolitan Museum of art in New York from September 25 through December 2. Bruegel's spirited drawing and prints, based in traditional imagery as well as a keen observation of nature, are beloved for their novel and highly independent perspectives. The exhibition Pieter Bruegel the Elder, Drawings and Prints will reassess Bruegel's importance and impact as a graphic artist, showing how he changed the way both contemporary and subsequent artists conceived of the land and its inhabitants.

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West Virginia

The next meeting of the Belgian-American Heritage Society of West Virginia will meet on Sunday, October 14 at 2:00 pm at the Waldomore in Clarksburg. The topic of Glass will be our program in October. Olie Bastin will present us with "Window Glass" making, and will also show the different articles used in glass cutting. Freda (Charles) Kovalan will be presenting "Early Glass in Harrison County." A reception celebrating our 10th year anniversary will follow the meeting.

Our Christmas meeting will be held on Sunday, December 16th at 2:00 pm at the Waldomore in Clarksburg.

The program for this meeting will be a demonstration of how galettes are made by Mickie (Charles) DeGardyn.

Our annual Christmas party will follow.

We have lost a very dear and devoted member of our Club this year. Paul Bastin served us faithfully for the past ten years and was also a past president of our Club. We will greatly miss his friendship.

Hope to see you at our meetings.

Sincerely, Hilda Zabeau -
Corresponding Secretary



ROGGE ELECTED TO TOP OLYMPIC JOB

In mid July, Belgian orthopedic surgeon and former Olympic yachtsman Jacques Rogge was voted eighth president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Rogge is the second Belgian to preside over the IOC: Henri de Baillet-Latour held the post from 1925 to 1942. No other country has had two presidents. The only non-European president was the American Avery Brundage who served from 1952 to 72.

Dubbed "Mr. Clean" by the press and praised by all for his "impeccable" credentials, Rogge, 59, has been an IOC member since 1991 and has served on the executive board since 1998. He played a major role in the organization of last year's successful Sydney Olympics and was not involved in the bribery scandal surrounding Salt Lake City's bid for the 2002 Winter Games. He has vowed to step up the fight against drugs in sports and want to downsize the Olympic games, which he considers have become too commercial.

Rogge was born in Ghent, is married and has two children, and currently lives in Deinze. He competed in the Olympic Games in 1968, 1972 and 1976 in FINN class sailing; he was world champion once and runner-up twice. He currently heads the Orthopedic Surgery Department at Ghent Hospital. He is fluent in Dutch, French, English, German and Spanish.

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Queen Elisabeth

International Music Competition of Belgium

In 2001, the Queen Elisabeth International Music Competition celebrated its fiftieth anniversary.

Created in 1951 at the initiative of Her Majesty Queen Elisabeth of Belgium, and following on from the Eugène Ysaÿe Competition, this competition very quickly became one of the leading international competitions for violinists, pianists, composers and, more recently, singers. The Queen Elisabeth Competition owes its reputation to its extremely strict regulations, but also to its outstanding juries composed of performers and educators of international renown.

The Queen Elisabeth Competition aims above all to assist young talented musicians to launch an international career by offering them the opportunity to perform for radio and television, give concerts in Belgium and abroad, as well as feature in special CD recordings.

Laureates of the competition over the past fifty years include Leon Fleisher, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Jaime Laredo, Gidon Kremer, Vadim Repin, Mitsuko Uchida and, more recently, Nikolaj Znaider and Marie-Nicole Lemieux.

2001 Results:

- FIRST PRIZE : Baiba SKRIDE
"Grand Prize of the Queen Elisabeth International Music Competition of Belgium" - Queen Fabiola Prize
- SECOND PRIZE : Ning KAM
Belgian Federal Government Prize – "Eugène Ysaÿe"
- THIRD PRIZE : Barnabás KELEMEN
Count de Launoit Prize
- FOURTH PRIZE : Alina POGOSTKIN
Prize of the Governments of the Belgian Communities; this year awarded by the Government of Flanders
- FIFTH PRIZE : Feng NING
Brussels Capital Region Prize
- SIXTH PRIZE : Akiko ONO
City of Brussels Prize

Finalists:

Ju-Young BAEK; Boris BROVTSYN; Christina CASTELLI; Oleg KASKIV; Mikhail OVRUTSKY; Tatiana SAMOUIL

EVERTON'S FAMILY HISTORY NEWSLINE

Dutch Reformed Church Records Hold Keys To New York Ancestry

The 16th Century was a time of religious turmoil. "Congregations throughout the Netherlands broke with Rome and formed the Nederlands Hervormde Kerk or Dutch Reformed Church," Harry Macy, Jr. wrote in an article originally published in the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society Spring 1994 newsletter.

The G&B Society, founded in 1869, is focused on the genealogy, biography and history of the people of New York State. Other people and subjects are explored as they relate to New York State. The society houses a library of more than 75,000 volumes specific to history and research.

The Dutch Reformed Church Records are significant to the history of New York State. Church records in any state often hold keys to ancestry with documentation of various church ceremonies including baptism, marriage and ceremonies performed after death.

According to Macy, the Dutch Reformed Church was the only Christian denomination permitted to hold public worship prior to the English takeover of 1664. "Regardless of race or nationality, nearly every couple in the city was married by the Dutch minister or domine, and nearly every child was brought to him for baptism."

Macy's review of the church notes the first Dutch Reformed services were held on Manhattan Island in 1628, with a church in existence as early as 1633. The Dutch Reformed denomination became known as the "Reformed Protestant Dutch" Church and later took on the name of Reformed Church in America. Everton's Bookstore offers a full line of handy research material including Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston Ulster County New York 1660-1809.

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To and From:**From Rene Risch, Mechelen :** rene.risch@tijd.com

"I must tell you how upset we have been over what happened in New York. We were stunned as we watched the horrific scenes unfold..."

From Yvette & Georges Villers:Georges.VILLERS@village.uu.net.be

"Dear friends,

We would like to send you this message consequently to the tragic events in US on September 11. We could not imagine that such thing could happen. George, our family and myself have a special think for one of each American who have been concern with that horror. We think of all our friends and be assured that we think and pray for all of you. We sincerely hope that the perpetrators will be punished. With love and kisses. "

From Dolores DEYOUNG FALLON, Portland, ORDLRSFallon@aol.com

We had our 7th Annual DeYoung Reunion" Sept 9th, 2001, here in Portland, Oregon with numerous descendants of Peter and Emily DeYonghe. All enjoyed the gathering with much food, display and old photos, albums to look through and update on the "DeYoung Genealogy"



Photo: Margaret DeYonghe Reynolds and Evelyn DeYonghe Ferguson whose parents Peter DeYonghe and Emily Van Puymbroek immigrated from Verrebroek, Belgium in 1907, and their cousin Louise DeYonghe (DeYoung)-Irwin from Minnesota. Louise's parents were Frank DeYonghe and Valentina DeBacker who also were from Verrebroek, Belgium and immigrated in 1906. They settled in Minnesota as well. Dolores' family moved on to Oregon in 1914.

IN THE NEWS:**Missing Belgians -** <http://www.diplobel.org/usa/>

Initially, the Crisis Center in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs listed 521 persons. In the mean time, all but one of them could be localized and they are unharmed. The Crise Center and the Consulate General in New York have pursued their efforts until they have found information concerning every remaining case.

There is at this point of time one Belgian who worked in the World Trade Center and about whom we are without any

news, despite the researches done by the Consulate General in New York.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION RELAYED TO BELGIANS AFTER ATTACKS

Immediately following the terrorist attacks on the U.S., the Consulate General of Belgium in New York and the Belgian Embassy in Washington set up around-the-clock emergency desks and worked closely with the Foreign Ministry's Crisis Center to provide assistance to those Belgians worried about family and friends in the U.S.

According to Rudi Veestraeten, consul at the Embassy, calls were coming in day and night from concerned Belgians on both sides of the Atlantic hoping to obtain information about their loved ones. He was very grateful to those stateside Belgians who spontaneously called home to reassure their families about their whereabouts.

The Embassy's web site was updated constantly so that Belgians could read official statements from their government, could easily access established lists of missing persons and could obtain information on diverted SABENA flights.

As of press time, one Belgian who worked at the World Trade Center in New York was still among the missing. Veestraeten said the Embassy also received a number of e-mails and letters of thanks from Americans who were grateful and touched by Belgium's response to the attack on the U.S. One writer, claiming to be "just an ordinary citizen," expressed eloquently what many seemed to be feeling: "I pray that the civilized countries of the world can unite and eliminate the threat of terrorism throughout the world."

Nicole Fontaine, President of the European Parliament, Guy Verhofstadt, President of the European Council, Romano Prodi, President of the European Commission, Louis Michel, President of the General Affairs Council, and Javier Solana, High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union, had announced, on behalf of the European Union, that Friday, 14 September would be a day of mourning and solidarity with the American people. The heads of state and government of the 15 EU Member States have issued a joint statement at 6 a.m. (Brussels time). At 12 noon (Brussels time), a 3-minute silence has been observed, with all activity coming to a standstill. Countries that are candidates for EU accession were also invited to take part in this display of solidarity. In observing this silence, the people of the European Union has expressed their deep sympathy with the grief and pain suffered by the people of the United States of America.

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Merry Christmas!
Happy New Year!